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Group Art Unit 3627

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Amendment after Final

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated February 13, 2004, under MPEP 714.12 and 37 CFR 1.116 "any amendment that will place the application either in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal may be entered." Further, under 37 CFR 1.116(c), the new assignee submits the enclosed claim amendments after recently obtaining ownership of the application on February 19, 2004, after the Final Office Action was mailed, which did not give the new assignee adequate opportunity to previously present the currently proposed claim amendments. Accordingly, please amend the above-identified application as follows: